ABSTRACT

When an image data to be displayed is held in a cachememory 602, an image output apparatus 101 reads out the image data from the cache memory 602 and displays the read image data (S61, S65). When the image data is not held in the cache memory 602, the image output apparatus reads out the image data from a recording medium 603 and displays the read image data (S63, S62, S65). After the user selects a date folder 1202, the image output apparatus 103 searches and extracts image data and displays a list of the image data 1222 pertaining to the date folder (step 1104). The image output apparatus 103 assigns image data to be printed out to other image output apparatus 103 and requests image data printout. The other image output apparatus 103 convey printed items to the image output apparatus having received the order (apparatus having requested the printout) using a conveyer 215.